

## Message Text

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: PFOR, CE

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

REF: STATE 46894

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE  
PRESIDENT TO PRIME MINISTER BANDARANAIKE.

QTE: DEAR MADAM PRIME MINISTER: I DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR  
THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE ON THE TRAGIC DEATHS OF  
AMBASSADOR CLEO A. NOEL, JR., AND MR. GEORGE C. MOORE.

I BELIEVE WE COULD BEST PAY TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF THESE  
BRAVE MEN BY CONSTRUCTING AN EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL FRAME-  
WORK FOR THE ELIMINATION OF SUCH WANTON TERRORISM. I HOPE  
THAT YOU SHARE MY VIEW AND THAT WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO  
ACHIEVE THIS END. WITH BEST WISHES, SINCERELY, RICHARD  
NIXON. UNQTE.

WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT, BUT HAS NO  
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OBJECTION TO RELEASE BY RECIPIENT. PLEASE INFORM DEPT IF  
TEXT IS RELEASED.

2. MESSAGE IS REPLY TO CONDOLENCE MESSAGE FROM PRIME  
MINISTER TEXT OF WHICH WAS TRANSMITTED BY REFTEL.

3. DECONTROL ON DELIVERY OF PRESIDENT' S MESSAGE. RUSH

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\*\*\* Current Handling Restrictions \*\*\* n/a

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## Message Attributes

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